

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1-18 have been deleted and new claims 19-33 have been added. No additional fees are seen to be required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS SHOWING CHANGES

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 3, please replace the paragraph on line 18 with the following:

Figure 3b [3a] illustrates a side view of a mold utilized to shape a hot melt form.

On page 4, please replace the paragraph on lines 13-20 with the following:

After being thoroughly mixed, the foamed material 30 is fed through material lines 22 to a dual nozzle dispensing gun 24 attached to a robot. The robot and the gun 24 apply a layer of non-foamed base material 26 to the surface of a lower shell 28, as shown in Fig. 2. The base material 26 is a thermal mastic blend and acts as a bonding agent, attaching a foamed material 30 to the lower shell 28. Nitrogen gas is not mixed with the base material 26 as the nitrogen gas will cause shrinkage (about 17%) during curing. After the application of the base material 26 to the surface of the lower shell 28, the foamed material 30 is applied by the gun 24 directly over the base material 26.

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